

CHAPTER III

¹ J. Rossus, *Historic*, Regum Anglia* (ed, T. Hearne).
 > 4 Hen. VII, c. 19; 6 Hen. VIII. c. 5; 7 Hen.
 VIII, c. I; 25
 Hen. VIII, c* 13. For the Commission of 1517 see
 Leadam, *The*
Domesday of Enclosures.

* For examples see J. S. Schapiro, *Social Reform and*
the Reformation, pp. 60-1, 65, 67, 70-1,

⁴ More, *Utopia*, p. 32 (Pitt Press ed., 1879):
 "Noblemen and
 gentlemen, yea and certeyne abottes, holy men no
 doubt
 leave no groundes for tillage, thei enclose al into
 pastures." For a
 case of claiming a bondman see Selden Society, vol.
 xvi, 1903, *Select*
Cases in the Court of Star Chamber, pp. cxxiii-cxxix,
 118-29 (Carter
 v. the Abbot of Malmesbury); for conversion of
 copyholds to
 tenancies at will, Selden Society, vol. xii, 1898, *Select*
Cases in the
Court of Requests, pp. lix-lxv, 64-101 (Kent and other
 inhabitants
 of Abbot's Ripton a, St. John; the change was alleged
 to have been
 made in 1471.)

⁶ A. Savine, *English Monasteries on the Eve of the*
Dissolution
(Oxford Studies in Social and Legal History, ed. P.
Vinogradoff, vol. i,
 1909, p. 100), estimates the net temporal income of
 English monas-
 teries in 1535 at ^109,736, and the net-income from
 all sources at
 £136,361. These figures require to be multiplied by
 at least 12 to
 convert them into terms of modern money. An
 estimate of the
 capital value which they represent can only be a
 guess, but it can
 hardly have been less (in terms of modern money)
 than ^20,000,000.

* For the status and payments of grantees, see
 the figures of
 Savine, printed in H. A. L. Fisher, *The Political History*
of England,
 1485-1547, Appx. ii: the low price paid by peers is
 particularly
 striking. The best study is that of S. B. Liljegren, *The*
Fall of the
Monasteries and the Social Changes in England

leading up to the Great Revolution (1924), which shows in detail (pp. 118-25) the activities of speculators,

¹ *Star Chamber Proc.*, Hen. VTII, vol. vi, no. 181, printed in Tawney and Power, *Tudor Economic Documents*, vol. i, pp, 19-29.

^a Selden Society, *Select Cases in the Court of Requests*, pp* Iviii-bdx, 198-200.

⁹ Quoted by F. A. Gasquet, *Henry the Eighth and the English Monasteries*, 1920, pp. 227-8,

¹⁰ See, e.g., *The Obedience of a Christian Man* (in Tyndale's